

SDQHRA RULES

Updated 2017

A. Eligibility for Awards

1. To be eligible for year end South Dakota Bred Awards, the horse shall be certified South Dakota Bred as defined below:
 - a. South Dakota Bred Horse is a horse that is foaled in the State of South Dakota and the dam of said is owned, in whole, at the time of foaling by a bona fide resident of the State of South Dakota.
 - b. South Dakota Owned Horse is a horse that is the property of a bona fide resident of the State of South Dakota for at least sixty days prior to the date of entry in a race; however, if the horse has been the property of a bona fide South Dakota resident for sixty days and said horse is sold to another bona fide South Dakota resident, the horse may enter a race immediately and no sixty day waiting period will be necessary.
2. Any non-certified South Dakota Bred Horse and non-South Dakota Bred Horses owned by members of the SDQHRA will be eligible for year end "open" awards.
3. Points do not begin to accumulate for year end awards for any horse until the owner or owners are paid members of the SDQHRA.

B. Point System:

The point system shall be as follows to determine year end awards. If a horse is disqualified, points go in final placement. Any question over points is the final decision of the Directors.

SDQHRA POINT SYSTEM*	SDQHRA POINT SYSTEM*				
Finish	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Stakes	12	8	6	4	2
Allowance	8	4	3	2	
Claim = \$2,500 & trials	6	3	2		
Claim = to or < \$2500	5	2	1		
Jockey	5	3	2	1	
Trainer	5	3	2	1	
Breeder	Money Won				

*Dead Heat points given any point ties will be in place finished broken by most money earned.

C. Year End Awards:

Must have at least 10 points to be eligible for Awards.

1. There shall be year end awards as follows:
 - a. Champion & Reserve 2 year old Filly, Gelding, and Stallion.
 - b. Champion & Reserve 3 year old Filly, Gelding, and Stallion.
 - c. Champion and Reserve Aged Mare, Gelding, and Stallion.
 - d. Leading Trainer, Breeder, and Jockey.
 - e. Champion Over All Running Horse – All ages. Must be South Dakota Bred or owned.
 - f. Other awards may be given at the discretion of the Board of Directors proving sufficient award sponsorship is available.
2. The SDQHRA shall give a breeders award to a breeder based on the dollars won in South Dakota by horse or horses bred by said breeder. The Breeder's Award of the South Dakota Quarter Horse Racing Association is to be determined by a horse or horses who have compiled the most dollars won in actual purse money at South Dakota sponsored race meets. This award does not include breeder's point money, but does include all money won in stakes races. All monies won by an owner should be computed to determine the total amount won by each owner vying for the Breeder's Award. A husband and wife shall be considered as one person for purposes of determining the Breeder's Award. In addition, individuals, partnerships, corporations, and farms or ranches shall be considered as one entity unless the SDQHRA is notified by the owners prior to the beginning of the first race meet run during the calendar year in South Dakota.
3. The SDQHRA shall give a yearly leading Trainer and Jockey trophy award. It will be based on 1-2-3-4 places with a point system of 5-3-2-1.
4. Trials which are run off the card will be counted for points for the high point horse awards.
5. In cooperation with the Horsemen's Association a plaque will be awarded to a person who has been outstanding for his or her contributions to racing annually. The SDQHRA shall be responsible for getting nominations for this award to the Horseman's president by November 1st annually. This person shall become an honorary member as designated in the By-Laws.
6. In the event a horse is claimed or sold the owner who accumulated the most points with the horse shall receive any year end award the horse earns.
7. The stallion awards will be determined by horses that are stallions through the last day of racing at South Dakota race tracks.

D. Purse Distribution, Stakes Payments, and Conditions.

Ft. Pierre Quarter Horse Stakes

**Ft. Pierre South Dakota Bred Futurity
To be run at 250 yards**

April 1 st ~ 2 Year Old Year	\$ 500.00
Late Payment	1,000.00

**Ft. Pierre South Dakota Bred Derby
To be run at 250 yards**

April 1 st ~ 3 year Old Year	\$ 500.00
Late Payment	1,000.00

**Ft. Pierre Open Futurity
To be run at 250 yards**

April 1 st ~ 2 Year Old Year	\$ 500.00
Late Payment	1,000.00

**Ft. Pierre Open Derby
To be run at 250 yards**

April 1 st ~ 3 year Old Year	\$ 500.00
Late Payment	1,000.00

**Remit Payment To:
Fort Pierre Chamber of Commerce
Box 426
Fort Pierre, SD. 57532**

Aberdeen Quarter Horse Stakes

SDQHRA SOUTH DAKOT BRED FUTURITY

April 1st	\$100.00
May 1st	\$150.00
Trial Entry Date	\$150.00
Late payment:	\$1,000.00

SDQHRA SD BRED DERBY

350 YARDS

March 1 st	\$100.00
April 1 st	\$100.00
May 1 st	\$150.00
Trial Entry Date	\$150.00
Late payment	\$1,000.00

To be eligible for all the SD Bred races all owners must be current members of SDQHRA and the horses must be certified as SD Bred.

NAHR ABERDEEN OPEN QH FUTURITY

300 YARDS

March 1 st	\$200.00
April 1 st	\$200.00
Trial Entry Date	\$200.00
Late payment	\$1,000.00

NAHR ABERDEEN OPEN QH DERBY

400 YARDS

March 1 st	\$200.00
April 1 st	\$200.00
Trial Entry Date	\$200.00
Late payment:	\$1,000.00

To be eligible for SDQHRA year end awards, all out of state horse owners must be paid members of the association.

Remit all membership dues and payments except trial entry day payment for the Aberdeen races to:

SDQHRA
Jill R. LaCroix, Treasurer
6664 Green Oak Lane
Rapid City, SD. 57703
Phone: (605) 393-1125

1. On all stakes races sponsored by the SDQHRA the purse will be paid as follows:
 - a. Gross purse of \$2,000 or under will be paid to 5 places: 49%-25%-14%-7%-5%.
 - b. Gross purse over \$2,000 – no consolation – 49%-20%-10%-7%-5%-3%-2%.
 - c. S.D. bred points shall be paid to qualified S.D. bred horses in all races.
2. No more than the 16 fastest qualifying times for the futurity and derby will be paid. No more than 8 horses will run in the finals and no more than 8 horses will run in the consolation.
3. If less than 40 horses enter trials, there will be no consolation, on the condition that the track has agreed to run a preferred race with S.D. Bred points available to those horses.
4. Stakes payment schedule and conditions will be published annually in the official publication.
5. The number of horses entered and money paid into each stakes race will be reported to eligible entries after each payment date.
6. The SDQHRA shall deduct 10% from all monies for Administrative purposes.
7. There will not be an also eligible list for the finals and consolation when 16 places are paid.

E. Miscellaneous:

1. Events when the total payment less 10% would be refunded during trials:
 - a. If a gate fails to open such horse shall be declared a non-starter and no liability will be incurred beyond refund of nomination fees less 10%.
2. Should a mechanical failure occur with the electrical timer during any trial heat, finalists will then be selected by the official place finish. If a tie exists the horse shall draw lots to determine which shall participate in the finals.
3. If you qualify a horse for a stakes race or consolation that horse cannot run the same weekend in another race at that track.
4. Any returned checks will automatically cancel eligibility in SDQHRA sponsored races. Said person will be required to pay with cash, money order or cashiers check after said returned check.
5. Any situation that may arise not covered by these rules will revert to the Board of Directors who will act in cooperation with AQHA. South Dakota Racing rules and statutes have precedence over any association rules.
6. Dues as established are forty (40) dollars per year for each active member. There is only ONE VOTE PER MEMBERSHIP.

\$40.00 Annual Membership Fee ~	Without subscription to The Racing Journal
\$60.00 Annual Membership Fee ~	Includes subscription to The Racing Journal

7. Officers nominated by the nominating committee must be current year members.
8. All officers, directors and point secretary are required to hold membership in the association.
9. The Association President will appoint an auditor to audit year end points compiled by the point secretary. The point secretary and the auditor will each be paid \$50.00.
10. Point Secretary will publish point standings in the official publication by July 30 each year to allow for membership input.
11. Membership is required of anyone entering any SDQHRA sponsored stakes or races.
12. SDQHRA Directors will meet as necessary to conduct Association business.
13. Breeder's certificates certifying that a horse is South Dakota Bred must be on file with the Association or State Gaming Commission prior to the first day of racing at the meet where the horse may earn bred money.
14. A current membership list will be given to the Secretary and Point Secretary. All Officers/Directors may receive a membership list upon request. Any member may receive a membership list upon request when any fees for the list are paid.

These are SDQHRA rules. You may obtain a South Dakota Gaming Commission rule book governing race meets in the State by contacting:

SD Gaming Commission
500 E. Capitol
Pierre, S.D. ~ 57501
(605) 773-6050